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IMPLEMENT TRADE AGREEMENTS -- Wen-hui Pao, 24 Oct 49

Tilen-ching, 22 October (NCNA) -- More than 100,000 tons of coal monthly are now reaching the Shang-hai area by rail from North China. The North China * Coal and Iron Company has contracted withthe Ch'ang-ch'eng Mining Company for the whole output of its mires to go to Shang-hai. Trade in the opposite direction has consisted of 200,000 bags of flour shipped from Shang-hai to Tien-ching. A similar amount has been contracted for early delivery. The arrangements have been made by the North China Grain Company with Shang-hai millers.

NEW EXCHANGE RATES -- Wen-hui Pao, 23 Oct 49

Kuang-chou, 22 October -- The Kuang-chou Military Control Commission was set up under the chairmanship of Yeh Chien-ying on 21 October 1949.

Its first act was to establish temporary rates of exchange to prevail until the Kuang-chou branch of the People's Bank is in operation. The rate was set at 2,000 yuan to one silver yuar and 500 yuan to one Hong Kong dollar.

The commission is rapidly taking over government organs and public utilities. Rail and boat service out of Kuang-chou is being restored.

KUANG-CHOU POWER PLANE DAMAGED ..- Wen-hui Pao, 25 Oct 49

Kuang-chou. 24 October -- When the nearby Hai-chu bridge was blown up by retreating KMT soldiers, the Wu-hsien-men Electric Power Station in Kuang-chou was damaged. All windows were broken, and boilers and generators suffered some damage. Over 30 workers were wounded seriously. The damage to the plant was quickly repaired and the current soon restored. All 220 workers of the station organized themselves into four teams responsible for fire prevention, emergency repairs, first aid, and nealth and sanitation to protect the plant in case of emergency.

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SHORTAGE OF ELECTRIC POWER IN T'IEN-CHING -- Wen-hui Pao, 12 Oct 49

T'ien-ching -- Due to the shortage of electric power supply in T'ien-ching, the plans of the People's Government to move some Shang-hai industries to T'ien-ching are encountering obstacles. To meet this shortage, a proposal is being considered to remove to T'ien-ching one or more of the small electrical installations in the Northeast which have not yet been put into operating condition.

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